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COSTA RICA.

Report from Port Limon—Fruit port.

PORT LIMON, COSTA RICA, May 13, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to submit report for week ended May 12. The following vessels have cleared from this port direct for the United States:

| Date. | Vessel. | Master. | Crew. | Distination. | No. of passengers. | No. pieces of baggage. |
|--------|--------------------------|---------------|-------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| May 6 | Steamship Tesk..... | Hurry | 18 | New Orleans, La.. | 0 | 0 |
| May 10 | Steamship Olympia..... | Seiders | 39 |do | 0 | 0 |
| Do.... | Steamship Beverly..... | Israel..... | 35 |do | 4 | 4 |
| May 11 | Steamship Ethelwold..... | Henshaw | 23 |do | 0 | 0 |

The health of Port Limon is good. Five deaths during the week. On the 7th a child, 1 year, from hereditary syphilis; on the 8th a child, 2 years, from convulsions; on the 9th an adult, 30 years, from ulcer of intestines; on the 10th an adult, 30 years, from remittent fever, and on the 11th an adult, 70 years, from senility.

Respectfully,

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CUBA.

Report from Cienfuegos.

CIENFUEGOS, CUBA, May 21, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to report that during the week ended May 19 20 deaths have occurred in this city, 6 from malaria, 1 from intestinal disease, and 4 from tuberculosis. Six deaths occurred in the civil hospital. No contagious diseases reported. Health of the port is good. Death rate for the week is 26.07. Six vessels entered this port and 6 cleared for other ports during the week. One alien steerage passenger landed at this port during the week. The steamship *Algiers*, from Havana, net tonnage 1,788, arrived at this port May 14 and was disinfected previous to departure for New Orleans May 18, 1900.

The work of laying gas pipes in this city is about completed and no infectious disease has occurred from this source. Twenty days have elapsed since the recovery of the supposed case of yellow fever that was reported at this office; nothing suspicious has developed since that time. The wharves along the water front of this port have been put in a good sanitary condition for this season.

Casilda.—Dr. Alejandro Cantero reports 14 deaths in the city of Trinidad for the week ending May 18, 1900. Prevailing diseases are malaria and intestinal. No contagious diseases reported. Health of port is good. No foreign vessel entered port during the week.

Santa Cruz del Sur.—Dr. Juan R. Xiques reports no deaths; no contagious diseases; health of port good. Inspected 1 foreign vessel during the week.

Respectfully,

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